

DODGE COUNTY UW EXTENSION EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING

May 15, 2018

The Dodge County UW-Extension Education Committee met Tuesday, May 15, 2018 at 8:30 a.m. in the UW-Extension conference room 1C at the Dodge County Administration Building, 127 East Oak Street, Juneau, WI.

CALL TO ORDER: Chairperson Allen Behl called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. with the following members present: Richard Bennett, Becky Glewen, Dale Macheel, and Annette Thompson.

Also, present: Jeff Hoffman, Area Extension Director; Pattie Carroll, Family Living Educator; Kimberly Lafler, FoodWise Nutrition Educator; Caitlin Richardson, FoodWise Nutrition Coordinator; Marie Witzel, 4-H Youth Development Educator; and Amanda Young, Dairy & Livestock Educator.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion by Bennett, second by Behl to approve minutes for Monday, April 16, 2018. Motion carried.

ELECT CHAIRPERSON, VICE CHAIRPERSON, AND SECRETARY OF THE COMMITTEE:

Behl asked for nominations to elect a Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, and Secretary of the UW-Extension Education Committee.

Motion by Thompson, second by Glewen to nominate Behl as Chairperson. Motion by Macheel, second by Bennett to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Behl as Chairperson. Motion carried.

Motion by Macheel, second by Bennett to nominate Glewen as Vice Chairperson. Motion by Thompson, second by Macheel to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Glewen as Vice Chairperson. Motion carried.

Motion by Thompson, second by Glewen to nominate Bennett as Secretary. Motion by Glewen, second by Thompson to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Bennett as Secretary. Motion carried.

SET REGULAR MEETING DATE, PLACE AND TIME: It was the consensus of the Committee to meet every 3rd Tuesday of every month at 8:30am in Room C unless otherwise scheduled.

OPTIONS FOR DISTRIBUTION OF AGENDA & PACKETS: It was the consensus of the Committee to continue receiving the agenda & packets via email and in hard copy at meetings.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND ALLOW THE CHAIRPERSON TO GO OUT OF ORDER AS NEEDED TO EFFICIENTLY CONDUCT THE MEETING: Motion by Glewen, second by Macheel to approve agenda and for Chairperson to go out of order. Motion carried.

PUBLIC INPUT: none

COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS: Behl reported on the meeting he attended on April 24th with members and staff from the Dodge County Fair Association, Dodge County Administration, and UW-Extension regarding the Dodge County Junior Fair. Discussion held regarding UW-Extension's role surrounding Junior Fair operations and administration and the tax levy dollars allocated to the Fair Association.

APPROVAL OF PER DIEMS: Motion by Glewen, second by Macheel to approve the regular meeting Per Diems for May 15, 2018 and Behl's attendance at a meeting on April 24, 2018 with the Dodge

County Fair Association, Dodge County Administration, and Dodge County UW-Extension. Motion carried.

REVIEW OF BILLS: Review and discussion of the UW-Extension revenues and expenses for April.

COMMITTEE ORIENTATION: Hoffman provided an administrative overview of UW-Extension and the Wisconsin Idea as it relates to local needs; outreach and education; funding sources; partnerships with counties; campus partners and state specialists. Pattie Carroll also outlined the value of local educators' partnerships within the county network and provided the Committee with printed material.

DEPARTMENT BUSINESS:

- a. The Committee was updated with the additional revenue appropriated to the DATCP Producer-Led Watershed Protection Grant.

AREA EXTENSION REPORT: Hoffman discussed the UW-Extension vacancies throughout the state. Counties have budgeted to fill these vacancies but Extension does not have available money. There are negotiated discussions with counties and all options are being considered. The applicant pool is large based on adjusted position descriptions that now include bachelor's degrees and years of experience.

The Committee discussed options for the Community Resource Development (CRD) Educator vacancy in Dodge County, requesting the AED to gather a body of information for the Committee to review and determine needs and time.

Hoffman invited Committee members to attend the ICC meeting in Baraboo on May 21st at 9:00am.

EDUCATORS' REPORTS:

Carroll: Carroll reported about Family Living Programming. Carroll emphasized that she worked in the area of parenting education, financial literacy capacity building, support of childcare professionals, and coalition building to support thriving children. Carroll reported that she spends time in curriculum and instructional development especially around digital parenting.

Lafler: Spoke of lessons that she is giving at local food pantries, senior meal sites and is finishing up with school year lessons. Is looking forward to working with new partners and expanding the FoodWise program in the next fiscal year.

Richardson: Richardson explained the purpose and vision of the FoodWise program to the new committee members. She mentioned that the program is federally funded to serve as the education portion to SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) previously known as Foodstamps. The FoodWise program serves low-income individuals and teaches them on topics such as healthy eating (based on MyPlate), stretching food dollars and preparing food safely. Since FoodWise is federally funded, it runs in the federal fiscal year. Over the past month and a half, Richardson has been working on Area 16's (Columbia, Dodge, and Sauk Counties) plan of work that starts October 1, 2018. In doing so, Richardson has reached out to all of the program's partners and even some new partners to establish plans for FY19 (October 1, 2018-September 30, 2019). She has been working on the program's budget, setting up partner agreements and writing the program's narrative to submit to the state - which was due May 1st.

Witzel: Witzel shared an overview of the 4-H Youth Development program in Dodge County. She introduced Ellen Bohn, part time 4-H program assistant who supports the 4-H program. She also shared the highlights of the National 4-H program. Youth join a local club where they learn ideas around belonging, independence, generosity and mastery. They join projects to focus their work in the 4-H

program. On the county level, youth can enhance those skills such as preparing an application and interviewing to be selected for a member experience. The last experience was to Space Camp in Huntsville, Alabama in April where youth learned more about life in space.

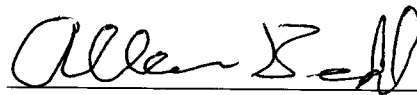
NEXT MEETING DATE: The next regularly scheduled Extension Committee meeting is Thursday, June 7, 2018 at 8:30 a.m. at the UW-Extension Conference Room 1C, in the Dodge County Administration Building at 127 East Oak Street, Juneau, Wisconsin.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before this Committee, the meeting was adjourned by Chairperson Behl at 10:20 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Richard Bennett, Secretary



Allen Behl, Chairperson